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2. When the terrain for the airfield was being selected, no attention was paid to the soil conditions. However, the area was covered with large woods and swampy spots. The cutting of trees and drainage work was done at a high cost. The Bauunion South with Horn (fnu) as construction superintendent Reinhardt (fnu) as manager made about 2,000 men available for this work. The Bauunion further requested the help of 10 companies of convicts, each company with a strength of about 80 men. When the area was cleared, construction on the hard-surface lanes, including runway and taxiways was started. In the meantime, concreting work was completed. 1
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